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Big Week in D.C.

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Dear Friend,

This week, Department of Justice Inspector General Michael Horowitz's released a report on his over a yearlong investigation into Operation Fast and Furious. During the time this investigation was being conducted, Attorney General Holder used this report as a key excuse for stonewalling Congress.



The Fast and Furious report shows a lack of accountability and transparency at main Justice.

This internal investigation confirms what I have firmly believed and said since information about Fast and Furious came to light—officials at the Department of Justice, under Attorney General Eric Holder, acted with a reckless disregard for the lives and safety of Americans and Mexicans alike.

**Questioning the Inspector General** 

This past Thursday at a House Oversight and Government Reform Committee hearing, I questioned Inspector General Horowitz on his findings. As he made very clear in his testimony and in his final report, Attorney General Holder and top officials at the DOJ failed to connect the dots and realize the consequences of this ill-conceived operation.



Please click above to watch Congressman Gosar <u>question the</u> Inspector General.

The American people deserve better from their Attorney General, which is why I voted to hold him in contempt, and why I am sponsoring a House Resolution of No Confidence in him, which currently has 114 cosponsors.

## **Protecting Arizona Jobs and Water**

On Friday, the House passed my Navajo Generating Station Amendment and Regional Haze Regulatory Relief Amendment as part of the Stop the War on Coal Act, which passed the U.S. House of Representatives by a vote of 232 to 175.

The Navajo Generating Station Amendment limits the authority of the EPA to issue regulations that threaten tribal jobs, Arizona's water security, and the federal government's legal obligations to Arizona tribes.



The Navajo Generating Station provides high paying jobs to many Native Americans. Please <u>click above</u> to see more on the amendment.

The second amendment passed, the Regional Haze Regulatory Relief Amendment, would allow affected states to reject overreaching federal regulations for regional haze and replace them within two years with its own plan.



Please <u>click here</u> or above to see Congressman Gosar speak about the Regional Haze Regulatory Relief Amendment.

Hundreds of Arizonans showed up at EPA hearings this summer in protest of the Obama Administration's one-size-fits-all regulations on our Eastern Arizona coal-powered plants. These regulations threaten thousands of jobs and would hamper our local economies with increased electricity prices. To read more please click here.

For more information on the EPA's coal power regulations and PDFs of the amendments please click here.

Preventing the Administration from Weakening Welfare

## **Program Work Requirements**

This week I voted to stop the Obama Administration from waiving the work requirement for welfare included in the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.

Government dependency is not the answer to restoring American prosperity. The president's actions to gut bipartisan welfare reform are a big step backwards, and I will continue to work to reverse them.

## Honoring Prisoners of War and Missing in Action Service Members

I keep the American soldiers that have not yet come home and their loved ones in my prayers. The prisoners of war and service members missing in action are not—and never will be—forgotten. The country waits for their safe return and our government remains committed to being accountable for all of our military members.



September 21st was National POW/MIA Recognition Day. Please see photo <u>credit here</u>.

Yesterday, the National League of Families' POW/MIA flag flew over the United States Capitol in honor of the more than 83,000 American military members still missing. To learn more about the Department of Defense POW/Missing Personnel Office please click here.

## **Celebrating Constitution Day**

I spent Constitution Day, September 17th, reflecting upon the 225th anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution with students in Arizona.

The U.S. Constitution provides the basis for our exceptional nation. Our Constitution protects our God given freedoms and provides the framework for a nation designed to allow Americans to pursue the American dream with limited government interference.



Congressman Gosar swore an oath to uphold and defend the U.S. Constitution. He takes that oath very seriously and uses the Constitution as his guide for all of his legislative actions in Washington

It is by teaching, respecting and honoring this vital document from generation to generation that our nation has continued to serve as a beacon of freedom and equality. As the Framers knew, America will continue to be blessed by liberty so long as we always preserve, protect and honor the Constitution.

As always, you can follow everything I am working on in Arizona and Washington, D.C. through my website (<a href="http://gosar.house.gov">http://gosar.house.gov</a>) on Twitter <a href="mailto:@repgosar">@repgosar</a>, or through Facebook at Representative Paul Gosar.

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